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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 27, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Phebe Bell**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation for home visiting services to Nevada County seniors in the total maximum amount of \$55,080, for the contract term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution.

FUNDING: Services are funded by Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) monies made available to Nevada County for the PEI (Prevention and Early Intervention) component of Nevada County's MHSA Plan. There are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

BACKGROUND: PEI funding is intended to support strategies to help identify and increase prevention efforts and responses to early signs of emotional and behavioral health problems among specific at-risk populations. Nevada County's population of older adults is higher than the California state average. Older and homebound adults tend to be isolated and have less community connections and supports, resulting in higher risk factors correlated with depression and mental illness.

Through this funding, Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation's Nurse or Social Worker will conduct home visits to disabled and older, homebound adults in Nevada County. The worker will assess the consumer's mental health and substance usage using a standardized screening tool. The worker will connect the consumer with appropriate services such as primary care and behavioral health services, and will provide case management to ensure that needed services are received.

It is recommended that the Board approves this contract, as it builds community capacity and collaboration for providing behavioral health intervention and for addressing existing and emerging problems in the County's older adults and adults with disabilities population.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Behavioral Health Director